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Dear Commissioner Bitter-Smith,

I am a retired senior citizen living in Surprise. I recently learned that a Smart Meter had been installed on our home in 2010. I also read several reports on the possible health effects they may cause. As I have been suffering from several health effects for the past couple of years, and have received no definite explanations of what their causes are, I became very concerned about the Smart Meter. The timing of its installation, and the onset of my health problems, just seems too coincidental to me. This Smart Meter is on my bedroom wall, probably 3 feet from my head as I sleep.

The health problems that started a couple of years ago include: [REDACTED]

I immediately called APS to learn the installation date, and once I learned that I asked them to replace the new meter with the old meter because of health concerns. They informed me that they would do that, but it was only temporary until they got a an agreement from The AZCC on what their policy could be regarding an "opt out," provision, such as monthly charge, etc..

I got my meter replaced the following day (although not an analog meter, the installer insured me it does not send out RF waves), and I would very much like to keep it for the next year at least, as a reasonable time period, to see if my health problems improve.

I'm asking you to please allow some kind of reasonable "opt out," provision for people in my situation. Although I would like to see no difference between customers because of meters, I could possibly see a small monthly charge (\$5.00), as a solution.

Thank you very much for your time and your consideration.

Yours truly,

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